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In re Application of:

STONE, Roger

Serial No. 10/606,315

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For: Connector

Examiner: Flemming Saether
Art Unit: 3677AMENDMENT and
PETITION FOR
EXTENSION OF TIMEVia Fax: 571.273.8300
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Dear Examiner Saether:

This amendment is responsive to the non-final office action mailed 08/10/05 and its consideration and entry in the case is requested.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time in which to respond pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136.

Amendment**I. In The Specification.**

1. None.

II. In the Drawings.

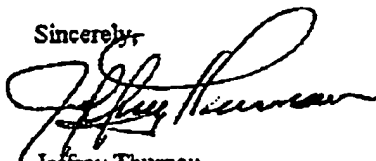
1. None

V. Fees.

Any fees payable for this petition for extension of time and amendment, or which may be otherwise required to avoid abandonment of the application, may be deducted from deposit account 07-0475 in the name of The Gates Corporation.

Thank you for your attention to this case. If any questions arise, please call at the number below.

Sincerely,



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